

Info Usurpa

::: Weekly information bulletin of events in radical spaces in Winnipeg #96 - week of February 13th to 19th, 2008 :::

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EMMA GOLDMAN GRASSRTS CTR 91 Albert, 2 nd floor		2-6pm <u>Junto library</u>	2-6pm <u>Junto library</u>	12-5pm <u>Copwatch Office Hours</u> 2-6pm <u>Junto library</u>			
MONDRAGON 91 Albert, 1 st floor		"Valentine's Day" Feast					7pm <u>New Usurpa Every Tuesday</u>
THE BIKE DUMP 631 Main st. back patio entry	6-9pm <u>Volunteer Night</u>	5-9pm <u>Open Hours</u>			12-5pm <u>Open Hours</u>		
RUDOLF ROCKER CULTURAL CTR 91 Albert, 3 rd floor					6pm <u>DIY Fest Fundraiser</u> Suggested \$5		
FOOD NOT BOMBS every Thurs: cooks recuperated food: 4pm at the MERC (430 Langside St) & serves free food: 6-7pm in the park at Ellice Av. and Spence St.							
NO BORDERS, NO NATIONS, STOP THE DEPORTATIONS Speaker on the No Borders Campaigns from York U, Friday at 1:30pm in 409 Tier Bldg. U of M							
INT'L DAY AGAINST POLICE BRUTALITY PLANNING MTG. Friday at 6pm at the U of W Aboriginal Student Council Lounge (2 nd floor Lockhart Hall)							
SPP NATIONAL DAY OF PROTEST Saturday at 12:30pm at City Hall, marching to the Legislative Building							

::: News :::

Resist the 2010 Olympics: Sticker Pitch

Folks are trying to print 250,000 copies of the sticker you see in the icon above to make the issue utterly unavoidable: the 2010 Olympics in Vancouver are an attack on native and poor people. To get the stickers printed, 25 people will need to donate \$100 each. So far, 7 have agreed. If you can make a contribution, please write to dru.oja.jay@gmail.com

Haiti: SOS Education

Independent Journalist Darren Ell -- If you have twenty extra dollars or more, you could help 31 children in Haiti's second city, Cap Haitian, finish their school year. Let me explain. I recently completed my third trip to Haiti as an independent journalist investigating the ongoing impact of the US-France-Canada coup d'état of 2004. It is no exaggeration to say that this event and the policies which followed have left 8 million people in a desperate state. When I was introduced to Madame Bwa, a key community activist in the poorest community of Haiti's second city, Cap Haitian, I was faced with a startling sight: 26 young people, aged 4 to 18 who had all been sent home from school in the previous 2 weeks because their families couldn't afford their

children's basic school fees. Madame Bwa informed me that there were five more, bringing the total to 31, but that they were not present that day. Bwa has done the math, and says that she needs \$650 to pay the school fees for all of these children so they can finish the year. This is the current reality in Haiti. The state has been crippled by the last two coup d'états and is unable to subsidize anyone's education. People are left to themselves in a society where unemployment sits at 70%. 96% of Haitian children never finish high school because of poverty. Your donation will not solve Haiti's economic crisis. It will, however, ensure that 31 young people finish the 2008 school year.

To make this happen, we'll be working with ecologist and human rights advocate Sasha Kramer's organization SOIL, an environmental NGO in Cap that works with the community of Shada (Cap Haitian's slum). Sasha's organization will provide you with a tax receipt. SOIL'S website [<http://www.oursoil.org/donate.php>] will tell you where to send your check or you can use the site to pay directly with Paypal. All you have to remember is to indicate "Shada school fund" in the check memo or as a note in Paypal. If you have any questions, contact Sasha at sashakramer@gmail.com, or me, Darren Ell, at elldarren@gmail.com

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